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In re Application of: **Xia Xu, et al.** Confirmation No.: **9192**
Application No.: **10/511,409** Group Art Unit: **1997**
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For: **METHODS FOR SEPARATION AND DETECTION OF KETOSTEROIDS
AND OTHER CARBOXYL-CONTAINING COMPOUNDS**

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In response to the Official Action dated **October 23, 2009**, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and/or remarks as indicated below:

- Amendments to the Specification** begin on page _____ of this paper.
- Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page _____ of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.
- Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.